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In re application of: **William J. Palmteer et al.**

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Serial No.: **10/696,005**

Group Art Unit: **2811**

Filed: **October 29, 2003**

For: **SURFACE MOUNT PACKAGE FOR A HIGH POWER LIGHT EMITTING DIODE**

**AFFIDAVIT OF PRIOR INVENTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131**

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Dear Sir:

I, WILLIAM J. PALMTEER, being duly sworn, depose and state:

1. I was an applicant of the above-identified patent application at the time of filing, and a co-inventor of the subject matter described and claimed therein.
2. On or about January 22, 2003, I (in concert with my co-inventors Thomas Yuan and Richard Koba) submitted a Preliminary Invention Disclosure ("PID") to my employer The Whitaker Corporation ("Whitaker") which described surface mount packages for high power light-emitting diodes (LEDs) (See Exhibit A).
3. Included as "Attachment A" to the above-referenced PID was a document entitled "Surface Mount Ceramic Packages for High Power LEDs" which I and my co-inventors had previously authored on or before January 22, 2003.
4. It is my understanding that Whitaker in-house counsel Joseph A. Tessari, Esq. received the PID on April 23, 2003 and subsequently began working towards the preparation of a Patent Application based on the PID. This receipt date is evidenced by the "Whitaker" date stamp on the first page of the PID.
5. I also understand that Mr. Tessari forwarded the PID to Mr. Joseph Chovanes of the law firm of Piper Rudnick LLP ("Piper Rudnick") on or about April 24, 2003, and requested that Mr. Chovanes prepare a Patent Application based on the PID (See Exhibit B).

6. On October 27, 2003, I signed a Declaration and Power of Attorney authorizing Whitaker subsidiary Tyco Technology Resources, and the law firm of Piper Rudnick, to file a Patent Application covering the idea of surface mount packages for high power light-emitting diodes (See Exhibit C).
7. I understand that the Patent Application was filed on October 29, 2003 with the United States Patent & Trademark Office by Piper Rudnick, and was accorded Serial No. 10/696,005.

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Witness my hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

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### PRELIMINARY INVENTION DISCLOSURE

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M/S 122 as ATTACHMENT "A"

Descriptive Title of Invention: Surface Mount Ceramic Packages for High Power LEDs

Date: January 22, 2003

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What are the new features of the invention which overcome this problem? The LED package is designed to be compatible with automated die attach and wire bonding equipment. The conical feature placed in the top metal will allow reflection of light upwards and outwards external to the package, whereby increasing the lumens.

On separate drawings or sketches, describe the features of the invention and how they work. Are these enclosed? ☒ yes ☐ no

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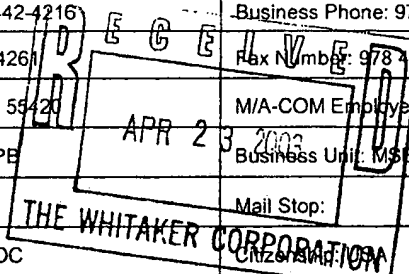
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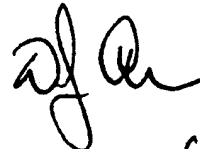
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**ATTACHMENT B****INVENTION DISCLOSURE and REQUEST FOR PATENT APPLICATION****DATE:** 1-22-2003**TITLE OF INVENTION:** Surface Mount Ceramic Packages for High Power LEDs  
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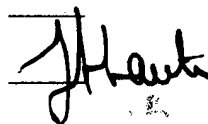
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- ☒ Approve for patent application review by Intellectual Property Committee  
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☐ Other action required – please explain below:

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- ☐ Approved for patent application review by Whitaker Corporation  
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## Attachment A

M/A-Com Proprietary  
Invention Disclosure

### Surface Mount Ceramic Packages for High Power LEDs January 22, 2002

Bill Palmteer, Tom Yuan and Richard Koba

#### 1 Surface Mount LED Package Design Elements:

- 1.1 This invention is a surface mount LED package constructed of ceramic, glass and metal. The ceramic layer has pattern metallization that allows die and wire attach of the LED on the top face, and electrical terminations suitable for brazed leads or surface mount soldering on the backside. The ceramic layer enables electrical isolation of the two leads to the diode (anode and cathode), the ability to withstand high temperatures during assembly and operation, resistance to damage by intense UV radiation, and structural stability. The metallization on the ceramic can be designed in such a way as to accept LEDs that are backside die attached or flip chip mounted onto the ceramic. If the LED is backside die attached, then the ceramic metallization can be designed to accept a LED backside that is one electrode of the diode (requiring only one wire bond off the top of the LED), or an LED backside that is electrically insulating (requiring two wire bonds off the top of the die).
- 1.2 A reflector "collar" is attached on the ceramic to surround the die. The purpose of the reflector is to efficiently direct the emitted light upward, protect the die and contain the encapsulant. The reflector should preferably have a parabolic or conical internal diameter. The top surface of the reflector could include machined features that promote alignment and placement of a lens atop the LED. The surface of the reflector is coated with, or comprised of, silver, palladium or aluminum. Preferably, the reflector is made from a metal whose CTE is matched to the CTE of the ceramic.
- 1.3 A dielectric layer must be interposed between the metallized ceramic and the metal reflector to prevent electrical continuity between the two metal pads atop the ceramic. The dielectric can be the same as the ceramic base (cofired or post-fired), requiring that the metal reflector be bonded to the base with a metal braze or a glass. If the dielectric is a silicate glass or a polymer (e.g., epoxy), then this glass layer can also serve as the adhesive between the ceramic base and the metal reflector.

#### 2 Construction of the package:

- 2.1 The ceramic is manufactured in either single units or an array (i.e., multi-up card). It can be bonded to the metal reflector as discrete units or in an array. The ceramic material can be alumina ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ) or aluminum nitride (AlN). Alumina is the lower cost material, and is preferred when the dissipated power of the LED is low. AlN is the higher cost material, but is preferred when the dissipated power of the LED is high. Atop alumina, the CTE matched metal can be Alloy 46 or certain compositions of AlSiC. Atop AlN, the CTE-matched metal can be Kovar or Alloy 42.
- 2.2 The metallization pattern on the ceramic must connect the two pads on the top of the ceramic to two pads on the backside. Methods of connecting the two pads to the backside pads include bore-coated castellations (of various shapes), and hermetic and non-hermetic vias.

- 2.3 The metallization must be adherent to the ceramic, capable of withstanding package assembly process, and compatible with the LED die attach (epoxy or solder) and wire bonding (Au or Al wire) of the LED die. Two general methods can be used to metallize the ceramic: thick film or thin film.
- 2.4 *Thick film* metallization offers the advantage of being directly deposited onto the ceramic in the desired pattern. Thin film metal can include a variety of post-fired metallization pastes such as silver (Ag) or gold (Au). Ag or Au thick film metallization has the advantage of being directly adherent to the bare ceramic, and not requiring subsequent plating. Alternatively, refractory metal can be screened onto the ceramic either before or after the ceramic is sintered. The co-fired thick film metal is typically tungsten (W), which enables the creation of hermetic vias. Post-fired refractory metallization can include W, W/Mn or Mo/Mn. All refractory metallization require plating of metals required to support die attach. Typical plated metal layer stacks can include Ni/Ag, Ni/Pd or Ni/Au. However, for optimal reflectivity, the preferred outermost metal should be Ag or Pd.
- 2.5 *Thin film* metallization offers the advantage of offering aluminum metallization, and potentially finer linewidth control. Thin films are deposited by methods such as sputtering or evaporation. Typical thin film systems compatible with ceramic include Ti/Pt/Au, Ti:W/Au, Ti/Pt/Ag or Ti:W/Ag. Sputtered or evaporated aluminum may exhibit sufficient adhesion to bare alumina or AlN. Thin film metal can be patterned by deposition through a shadow mask or photoresist mask, or by a subtractive (etch) process, where the metal to be etched away is defined by photoresist.
- 2.6 If the backside of the ceramic requires metal leads, one method to attach these leads would be to braze the leads discrete ceramic bases using a metal braze alloy such as CuAg eutectic. This lead attachment step can be performed prior to bonding the reflector layer to the top face of the ceramic.
- 2.7 The metal reflector is formed from a sheet of CTE-matched metal such as Alloy 46 or Kovar, typically 20 mils (0.5mm) thick. Two methods can be used to form the sheet metal: photoetching or stamping. Photoetching of metal sheets is commonly practiced in the industry using dry film photoresist. If photoresist is patterned on only one face of the metal, wet (isotropic) etching of the metal will naturally produce a sidewall whose profile is the 90° arc of a circle. However, if photoresist is aligned and patterned on both faces of the metal sheet, then more conical-shaped profile can be engineered. Stamping of sheet metal is preferred when the desired quantities are very high. By using of progressive stamping or forging, the profile of reflector sidewall can be controlled. After forming, the metal can be surface treated to prepare it for bonding to the ceramic. For example, the electroplated with Ni, or Ni + Ag to prepare it to be brazed or glass bonded to the ceramic. Or, the metal could be oxidized to prepare it to be glass bonded to the ceramic.
- 2.8 An alternative reflector metal could be the one of the many types of aluminum matrix composites tailored to have a low CTE. The CTE of the composite can be reduced by the addition of SiC particles (AlSiC), SiC whiskers, silicon particles, or graphite fiber. For example, the firm DMCC manufactures an AlSiC composition called MCX-724 whose CTE is matched to that of alumina (7.2 ppm/°C). Si/Al or graphite/Al can be machined, photoetched or stamped into the desired shape. AlSiC can be net shaped cast into the desired shape, after the expensive NRE has been paid. The advantage of aluminum matrix composite reflectors is that that they require no plating before or after they are bonded to the ceramic (preferably using a low temperature sealing glass), since aluminum is a preferred reflector material and it does not tarnish. Ideally, an aluminum composite can be sealed to the ceramic using a glass sealing temperature > 300°C (to enable the LED to be soldered with AuSn eutectic), but < 500°C to prevent excessive alloying of the Au or Ag plating on the ceramic.

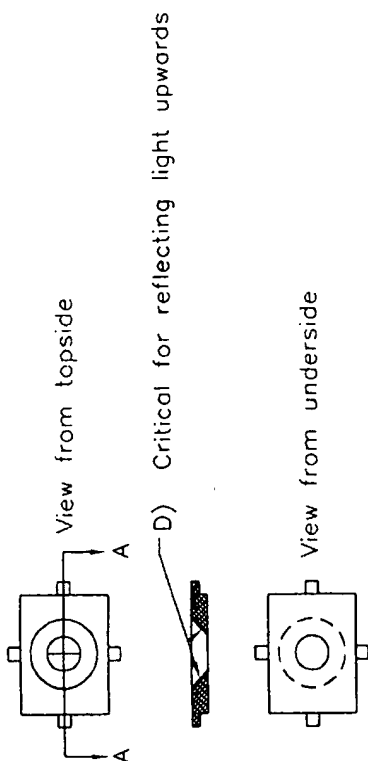
- 2.9 The metal reflector can be etched into the shape of a 2-D array of reflectors. The array can either be (a) tightly spaced together to enable bonding to a ceramic multi-up card, or (b) widely separated as on an overmolded leadframe. If the metal/glass/ceramic sandwich is bonded together as a card, then the sandwich layers must be singulated with a diamond saw, preferably after die attach and wire bonding. If the ceramic is singulated before bonding to the metal, then diamond sawing through the ceramic only is necessary. After the discrete ceramic bases are bonded to the metal lead frame, the metal leadframe can be quickly singulated using an excising punch.
- 2.10 The use of glass to bond the metal to the ceramic offers the advantage of providing dielectric isolation and adhesion in a single step. The selected glass should have a CTE similar to that of the ceramic and the metal, and should have a softening point above 300°C, to enable AuSn die attach of the LED to the ceramic, followed by SnAg wave soldering of the packaged LED. The upper temperature limit of the working temperature of the glass is set by other factors. If a metal alloy such as Alloy 46 or Kovar are used, the glass should be flowed at a temperature below which the thermal expansion coefficient of the metal increases. In such cases, the package will probably be silver plated after assembly. If an aluminum-matrix composite is used as the reflector, then the metallization on the ceramic (such as Ag or Au) must not be degraded in the process of bonding the ceramic to the reflector. The glass reflow temperature should be < 500°C if the ceramic's Ag or Au metallization is not to be degraded.
- 2.11 A polymer such as high temperature epoxy could also be used to bond the metal reflector to the ceramic. Epoxy bonding of the metal to the ceramic would be especially suitable if the LED is to be attached to the ceramic using a lower temperature, silver filled epoxy. Generally, it is easier to control the flow of epoxy than silicate glass.

### 3 Die attach and wire bonding

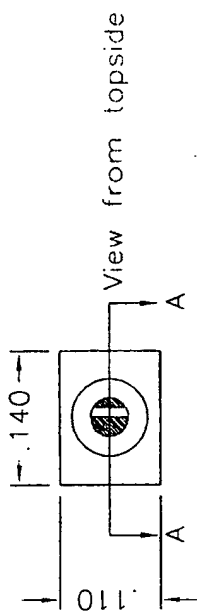
- 3.1 A purpose of this invention is to provide an LED package design that is compatible with existing automated methods for die attach and wire bonding. In order to meet the high volume & low unit cost demands of the LED industry, the LED dice must be die attached and wire bonded using highly automated equipment, with a minimum of manual input. The use of industry standard leadframes is a key feature of this invention, since automated equipment in factories worldwide routinely accept plastic overmolded packages on standard leadframes.
- 3.2 An LED die is bonded to the ceramic using a silver-filled epoxy, or preferably, a metal solder with good thermal conductivity such as 80:20 Au:Sn eutectic.
- 3.3 Metal pads atop the LED die are connected to the ceramic, typically using 1 mil diameter gold wire. Gold ball bonding or wedge bonding are both suitable.
- 3.4 After a frame is fully populated with die, it can be moved to another work station where encapsulant and a lense are automatically placed atop the die. Features formed into the top of the metal (such as a ledge) can assist in the alignment of the lens.

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A) detail of top layer(reflector)



- A) leadframe
- B) non-conductive material
- C) metallized substrate

View from underside

DETAIL A: Exploded view of assembly  
 detail of one unit on leadframe

Process flow:

1. Apply dielectric material (B) to underside of leadframe (A). This material can be glass, epoxy or any non-conductive material. Non-conductive material may be applied by screening, spraying, roller coating, etc....
2. Item C, is a pattern metallized, electrically insulative material that will be placed onto material (B) that was deposited on the underside of the leadframe(A).
3. Once the entire leadframe(A) is populated it will be cured to achieve a mechanical/chemical bond with the leadframe (A) attach.
4. The assembly is now ready for automated die and wire bond.
5. The leadframe may now be singulated into individual pieces by using a punch to remove the tie bars that hold the individual units into the leadframe. See Detail A.



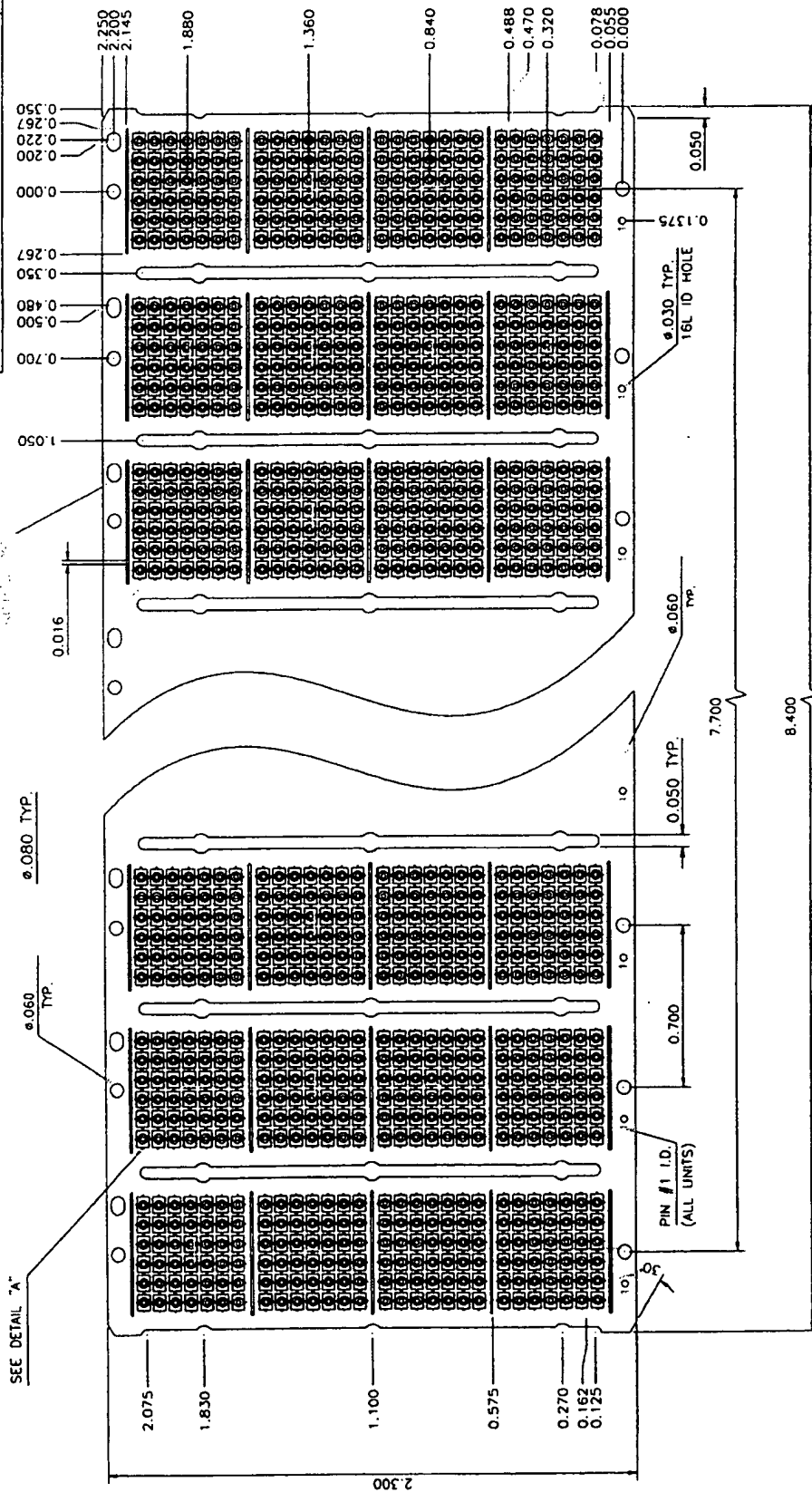
C) detail of bottom layer(ceramic)

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LED MATRIX LEADFRAME

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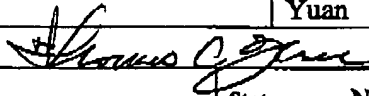
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